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MEDIA ADVISORY

Norton to Discuss FY 2006 Budget

(WASHINGTON) -- Secretary of the Interior Gale A. Norton will provide an overview of the administration's proposed FY 2006 budget for the Department of the Interior at a 1 p.m. EST briefing in the Sidney R. Yates auditorium of the Main Interior Building on Monday, Feb. 7, 2005.

Norton's remarks will precede a presentation by Lynn P. Scarlett, Interior's assistant secretary for Policy, Management and Budget. A question-and-answer session will follow. Departmental and bureau representatives will then be available to answer more detailed inquiries. The conference will be broadcast live by satellite with close-circuit captioning. Audio of the presentation is available through a "listen-only" conferencing bridge from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. EST.

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WHO: Interior Secretary Gale A. Norton; Assistant Secretary Lynn P. Scarlett

WHAT: News Conference on FY 2006 Budget for the Interior Department

WHEN: Monday, Feb. 7, 2005 at 1 p.m. EST

WHERE: Main Interior Building, 1849 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., 20240

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